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COUNTRY Soviet Zone of Germany

TOPIC STRAUSBERG Airfield and Air Force Depot

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1. Forty twin-engine bombers with in-line engine, double rudder assembly, all metal cockpit, most of them covered with tarpaulins, were parked in the north and northeast sections of the STRAUSBERG (N 53/V 15) airfield. As far as discernible, the planes had red and yellow propeller hubs. The planes were of the following two types:
 - a. Mounted cockpit with antenna rod forward of cockpit and weapon projecting to the rear; aperture in fuselage aft of cockpit; one window at both sides of fuselage in line with trailing edge of wing; fuselage considerably tapering rearward; rudder assembly ellipsoidal toward the top.
 - b. Double cockpit with a gibbous partition in the center.
2. The bomb dump east of the field was surrounded by spotlights. Two hundred and fifty to three hundred filled with 50-kg and 250 kg bombs; 10 bombs, 5 feet long and about 20 inches in diameter, and 80 to 100 empty boxes were stored in the dump.
3. The fuel dump with seven cylindric tanks on the western edge of the field had been completed. It was fenced-in, guarded and could be lighted up.
4. The houses on Kriezennerstrasse previously occupied by the air force were vacant. All air force personnel were apparently quartered at the field.
5. The air force depot on Hegermuehlerstrasse was fenced-in and heavily guarded. The noise of a riveting hammer was heard from a hangar. Some houses in the neighborhood were occupied by air force officers' dependents.

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Comment:

a. The number of aircraft observed at the field agrees with previous reports. It is assumed that one bomber regiment is stationed there. The two bomber types are probably PE-2s and TU-2s.

b. The information on the presence of a bomb dump and the establishment of a fuel dump was confirmed by other reports.

c. The motor vehicle [] observed at the field are assigned to the ground units of the bomber regiments stationed there.

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